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SUBJECT: APRIL RESULTS OF THE INDOCHINESE PAROLE PROGRAM
IN THAILAND

REF: BANGKOK 9891

1. SUMMARY: DURING APRIL, 1007 REFUGEES LEFT THAILAND FOR THE UNITED STATES. A TOTAL OF 764 REFUGEES DEPARTED UNDER IPP-77, 209 REFUGEES DEPARTED UNDER IPP-78, AND 34 DEPARTED UNDER OTHER PROGRAMS. TO DATE, A TOTAL OF 3422 REFUGEES HAVE DEPARTED UNDER IPP-77, AND 218 HAVE DEPARTED UNDER IPP-78.
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DURING APRIL, 31 BOATS CARRYING 835 REFUGEES ARRIVED IN THAILAND. A TOTAL OF 5798 INLAND REFUGEES FOR THE NEW PROGRAM AND 656 BOAT REFUGEES HAVE BEEN PRESCREENED FOR IPP-78. WE RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 1915 SPONSORSHIP ASSURANCES DURING APRIL AND 7412 HAVE BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE. END SUMMARY.

2. DURING APRIL, 1007 REFUGEES LEFT THAILAND FOR THE UNITED

STATES. THIS IS THE HIGHEST MONTHLY DEPARTURE DIGURE SINCE THE EXPANDED PAROLE PROGRAM IN MID-1976. A TOTAL OF 764 REFUGEES LEFT UNDER IPP-77. OF THESE, 570 WERE INLAND CAMP REFUGEES. AN ADDITIONAL 22 REFUGEES DEPARTED UNDER THE CE PROGRAM, 3 UNDER HUMANITARIAN PAROLE, AND 9 UNDER IMMIGRANT VISAS. DEPARTURES UNDER THE IPP-78 PROGRAM TOTAL 209 IN APRIL AND 218 TO DATE. A TOTAL OF 3422 REFUGEES, 1328 OF WHOM CAME FROM INLAND CAMPS, HAVE DEPARTED FOR THE UNITED STATES TO DATE UNDER IPP-77.

3. DURING APRIL, 31 BOATS CARRYING 835 REFUGEES ARRIVED IN THAILAND. THIS HEAVY INFLUX HAS SWELLED THE POPULATION OF THE SONGKHLA CAMP TO 1055 AND OF LAEM SING TO 1091, STRAINING CAMP FACILITIES AND TESTING THAI TOLERANCE.

4. WHILE PRESCREENING CONTINUES IN THE NONGKHAI AND LOEI CAMPS, IT IS COMPLETED IN THE UBON AND CHIENG KHONG CAMPS AND IN THE MAE CHAN DETENTION CENTER. CUMULATIVE PRE-SCREENING STATISTICS SINCE MARCH 21 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

TOTAL CASES/INDIVIDUALS PRE-SCREENED: 2250/7357
PRE-AUGUST 11: 785/2442

TOTAL CASES/INDIVIDUALS NOT QUALIFIED (MARRIED
SIBLING): 70/309
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PRE-AUGUST 11: 8/30

TOTAL CASES/INDIVIDUALS NOT QUALIFIED (UNACCOMPANIED
MINOR): 79/91
PRE-AUGUST 11: 77

TOTAL CASES/INDIVIDUALS NOT QUALIFIED FOR OTHER
REASONS: 782/2421
PRE-AUGUST 11: 326/974

TOTAL CASES/INDIVIDUALS POTENTIALLY QUALIFIED:
1319/4536
PRE-AUGUST 11: 411/1431

BREAKDOWN OF POTENTIALLY QUALIFIED BY CATEGORY:

CAT I	583	PRE-AUGUST 11:	132
CAT II	536	PRE-AUGUST 11:	117
CAT III	3362	PRE-AUGUST 11:	1158
CAT IV	55	PRE-AUGUST 11:	24

TOTAL: 4536 PRE-AUGUST 11: 1431

5. IN ADDITION, PRESCREENING IN THE LAEM SING AND SONGKHLA BOAT CAMPS HAS BEEN COMPLETED. THE BREAKDOWN FOR BOTH CAMPS IS AS FOLLOWS:

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CAT I	176
CAT II	4
CAT III	134
CAT IV	1
NON-CAT	341
TOTAL	656

6. INS OFFICER BAILEY ARRIVED ON APRIL 27 AND INTERVIEWED REFUGEES IN LAEM SING UNTIL APRIL 30. HE LEFT FOR SONGKHLA MAY 2. OF THE TOTALS IN PARAGRAPH 6, HE APPROVED 223 REFUGEES FROM LAEM SING WITH THE FOLLOWING BREAKDOWN:
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CAT I	127
CAT II	0
CAT III	7
CAT IV	0
NON-CAT	89
TOTAL	223

7. WE RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 1915 SPONSORSHIP ASSURANCES DURING APRIL. OF THOSE, 1597 WERE FOR INLAND CAMP REFUGEES, AND 318 WERE FOR BOAT CAMP REFUGEES. THESE FIGURES COMPARE FAVORABLY WITH THE MARCH TOTAL OF 1933. A CUMULATIVE TOTAL OF 7412 SPONSORSHIP ASSURANCES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE: 4585 FOR LAND CAMP REFUGEES AND 2827 FOR BOAT REFUGEES. WE APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S AND ACVA'S EFFORTS IN MAINTAINING THE IMPRESSIVE RATE OF ASSURANCES RECEIVED.

8. THE DEPARTURE OF 22 REFUGEES UNDER THE CE PROGRAM DURING APRIL EXHAUSTED THE 146 AUTHORIZATION.

9. THE REMAINING NINE REFUGEES TEMPORARILY LODGED IN THE YMCA DEPARTED FOR THE UNITED STATES APRIL 26.

10. ACTION REQUESTED: CONTINUED PRIORITY ATTENTION TO SPONSORSHIP ASSURANCES IN THE SAME OUTSTANDING FASHION AS DURING MARCH AND APRIL.

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